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| <b>Title:</b>                | METHODS FOR TREATING HYPERLIPIDEMIA WITH<br>INTERMEDIATE RELEASE NICOTINIC ACID<br>COMPOSITIONS HAVING UNIQUE<br>BIOPHARMACEUTICAL CHARACTERISTICS |

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**  
**TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Communication mailed May 13, 2005, advising of non-compliant amendment, in connection with the above-identified application for U.S. Patent.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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